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ELECTION LAWS IN LOUISIANA.

Some day in the distant future, when the equitable working of the constitution of the United States shall be restored, or when the whole shall have been superseded by the establishment of a great military empire-or when the territory now occupied by the mechanism cannot be pronounced a United States shall be partitioned off success till we have seen it in operainto three, four or half a dozen inde- tion. matter of interest to political anti- | to Louisiana in 1872 to investigate the quaries to study an isolated specimen difficulties in that unfortunate State: of jurispudence as wonderfully and in- "Strangers, citizens of New Orleans, geniously adapted to the purposes in and even of Texas, were appointed most successful ever inaugurated.

tainly stand on record as among the | themselves or the candidates of Gov-Louisiana was in the hands of the and returned themselves as elected, carpet baggers, the white people were though not voted for. In some indistranchised, the negroes had not yet stances they resigned two or three days learned to use their power, and, when in 1868 Louisiana was re-constituted tion) in their stead, and, when the re- ard. one of the United States, nobody was turns were made out, were returned as | Grant and the military section of on hand to mould and work out its new | elected, although in some of the parconstitution, except the vultures who ishes no one was known to vote for them at all. No ticket bearing their had wheeled and hovered around the names were seen or known to be in the from Louisiana to Washington as conflicting armies at a safe distance parish. There are fourteen parishes soon as the "count" is over; and in anconflicting armies at a safe distance parish. There are fourteen parishes soon as the "count" is over; and in an argument and appeal, he says, the while the struggle was going on, and in my district; of that number, nine ticipation of this are filling the capital whites won the blacks by kindness and when the conflict was over rushed never resided in the parishes; and of down upon the blood stained field in- these nine, four were returned as memtent only upon gorging themselves with | bers of the Legislature. Three of the other members had not been residents what they could find there.

Then were devised the election laws of Louisiana now brought into promitivo. was to render permanent the State of things under which the carpet baggers | This is no place to give the details | permanence with the board, though have already robbed the State of thirty of the struggle between Warmoth and the latter claims the right of retiring lishment of the case that would, under and control of the House of Represenmillions of dollars.

voting, and to regulate this process

at the parish court house, but might place. Before Warmoth went out of An advantage gained by the opposi-

at every place, and if only one of them sioners were empowered to arrest any disorderly persons without trial, and curity for the subserviency of these them, they received pay of five dollars countersigned by the governor and parish supervisor before they were paid.

On the close of the polls the commissioners sealed the boxes and conveyed them to the offices of the parish Supervisor of Registration who counted the ballots in the presence of three commissioners of election (his own appointees,) and three freeholders selected by himself, reduced the result to writing (without publishing it) and forwarded it in duplicate to the Governor. He referred it to

A RETURNING BOARD. mined the election, but an appeal might | publicans :

which either a Commissioner of Election or a Supervisor of Registration could endorse on the returns that there had been a riot, intimitation or bribery at any polling place, idation or bribery at any polling place, and then the returning board were em- same corrupt Board. powered to delay counting the vote

ing of the public functionaries above mentioned, is constituted of persons appointed specially for that purpose by the Governor.

It now consists of J. Madison Wells, chairman, with two other white men and two negroes; the two white men are both candidates for office in the election whose votes it is their duty to scrutinize, the two negroes, one keeps a gambling saloon and the other a Democratic committees, but that all wiser who see that armed resistance that the trial of all causes involving house devoted to still more degraded disputed questions shall be settled can only herefit those who are now public interests at least ought to be

"I say now unquivocally that Governor Wells is a political tricksterand out as a manly representative of the State and joining those who were preserving the peace. I have watched him sinconduct has been hope that thieves may fall out and honest men come by their own?

Interest. Does not disconduct the disconduct has been not this give some glimmering of a litate, but not astute enough to execute. To our own people, whom alone we hope to reach, we counsel patience yet as sinuous as the mark left in the dust by the movement of a snake. I say

again that he is dishonest.' This board has very shortly to proprobability designate a President for parishes: the whole United States.

But the most exquisitely contrived

pendent governments-or in any case, | Crede experto, we give the testimony when our present anomalous and lawless political status shall be superseded
by something better adapted for per
by something better adapted fo

view as the Jastinian code, or the British constitution. The locality of to the Legislature, In my parish a this political experiment is the State man came with instructions, as he said, of Louisiana, the period of its origi- from Governor Warmoth, to run for the be ample and generous. Very renation the year 1868, its final purpose Senate. This was the case in various spectfully, your obedient servant, other parishes, particularly those of "D. J. M. A. Jewett, See'y." that of public plunder, and if practi-Herville, St. Martins, Iberia and West cal applicability to the purpose in view Baton Rouge, in all which the Superis the test of legislation, this will cer- visors of Registration either elected ernor Warmoth to the Legislature. They were not voted for by the people before the election, and had other men appointed (as Supervisors of Registrahad Registrars appointed who had

appoint offices of registration where- office however, he took advantage of tion is that Ex-Governor Wiekliffe. ever they liked; their decision as to the act passed in the last session of the one of the Democratic candidates for the registry or non-registry of voters | legislature providing that the Board | elector, has made good his claim to be was final and irreversible; not only of returning officers should be elected present at the sittings of the board. was there no provisions for carrying it by the Senate and should consist of In Florida some advantages have been Matthews, J. A. Garfield, W. D. Kelbefore the courts, but the courts were five persons from all political parties, gained also. Injunctions have been by express statute prohibited from re- and this act should take effect obtained from the circuit court of Talvising their decision, and any judge from and after its approval. This bill lahassee restricting Gov. Stearns from who undertook to do so was subject to was only a change of persons, all the counting the vote, and ordering the Wallace, John Tuttle, M. A. McGrew, a fine of not less than \$500, with im- provisions of the old act remained as board of canvassers to proceed imme- J. A. Chapman, W. R. Smith, Abner prisonment for not less than six before. Gov. Warmoth now approved diately with their work. months, and was moreover liable to it and as the Senate was not in session, Altogether the one ground of favorimpeachment and removal from office, appointed its member himself. He ble anticipations is the intense inter- are in receipt of your letter of the 14th These supervisors determined poll- also obtained an injunction from Judge est manifested in the proceedings by inst., in which you inform us of your

ing places wherever and to whatever Ellmore restraining the old Board the people of the whole United States number they chose and appointed three (under Lynch and Company) from act- and the publicity thus given to the

ing as such. attended at a given polling place, that ty and between them John McEnery rates as ever lived by murder and robone had the power of appointing two was elected Governor on the fusion bery, but the steady gaze of the human this failure of our attempt to secure prison when arrested till after the elec- Lynch Board was reinstated in office, eager eyes upon the council of the refusal to confer and co-operate with stalled them with his bayonets.

IT IS STILL WORKING. determining who shall be President of feel the difference. the United States. Democratic candidates are again elected by the people. the Board is again bent on their exclusion and United States, troops are again present to bear them out in it.

IZIn other words, to himself and his When the events we have described colleagues, for this board consisted of were under investigation before Conthe Governor, Secretary of State, gress Mr. William A. Wheeler thus Leutenant governor and two Senators, expressed himself in reference to the named in the law by which the board | board. We quote the report of a comwas constituted, viz: John Lynch and mittee on which he sat with Geo. F. J. C. Anderson. Their report deter- Hoar and William P. Frye, both Re-

be made to certain judges who were "No party in the United States will also appointed by the Governor, and like to submit to a result decided by what ready tools of his they were will the votes of electors chosen by such was elected Democratic. That body means (the Kellogg return board.) * counts the vote for Governor, and it is rights and to arrogate to ourselves * * In such case, an appeal to force, supposed that this is done for the purpowers which we do not possess. In which either a Commissioner of Louisiana, must result in civil war, pose of counting Chamberlin in and writing our letter we were fully aware

THE LATEST NEWS.

The Board of Canvassers (Returnlittle we have to state intelligible.

a dishonest man. I have seen him It is reported that the Canvassing the only men who could benefit by Board is to be manipulated in the in- war, and they are eagerly desiring it tion of its spirit. In this connection away where I could not find him to terest of Warmeth and Pinchback as an excuse for a coup d'etat which we may be permitted to observe, that give him a guard, instead of coming against the Kellogg interest. Does they are unscrupulous enough to med- while undoubtedly, as you say, a sed-

nounce a judgment which will in all numbers only being changed for other tional ways of resisting illegal power, signed.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Sept. 28, 1876. -To the Supervisor of Registration, Parish of Assumption, La.—Dear Sir: your parish is 2,200 and the Republi-

dates and committees are directed to aid you to the utmost in obtaining this | the Lord." result, and every facility is and will be afforded you; but you must obtain the results called for herein, without fail. Once obtained, your recognition will

Assumption went Republican, as an-ticipated, and the supervisor will no doubt claim his reward If any doubt existed before, this shows plainly what supervisors are for;

exactly comes up to a certain standwith regiments of soldiers.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23. Not much change in the situation of the parishes they were returned as at present. The Louisiana Returning representing more than a month or Board has commenced its sittings, and

the Kellogg-Packard combination; it for consultation whenever it may de- the law, demand the throwing out of tatives and Senate, is a question, upon The judiciary, the Legislature and was a family affair, they were all radi- sire. The parishes not contested tally the Executive were all agreed in this cals, no principle was at issue, the only in their numbers very closely with the purpose, and all united with wonder- question was between rival plunderers reports of the Democratic executive way; and the Democratic party de- standing your refusal to co-operate, we ful harmony in constructing the means both of whom wanted to manipulate committee, but several parishes are at feated by a swindle would, if it did not still cherish the hope that the Returnof its accomplishment. Gov. War- the election apparatus and pocket the present passed over on the pretext of moth was the first executive officer, proceeds: for a while Warmoth was intimidation reported by the parish and well chosen for running such a too strong for the opposition; this was supervisors. The board has adopted machine. A certificate of registra- while Casey Collector of the Port and one outrageous rule, that wherever tion was made essential to the right of brother-in-law to the President was on intimidation or not is proved at one his side : After a while, however, Ca- voting precinct, the whole parish vote sey declared for the opposition, and, shall be thrown out; which is about were appointed by the governor in whateverside was taken by the broth- as reasonable as it would be to throw every parish-they were removable at in-law, on that side the United States out the vote of all Montgomery county the pleasure of the governor: they were troops were freely used. So Warmoth because there had been a row at Woodenjoined to have their head-quarters went under and Kellogg reigned in his lawn, or any cross roads polling place.

> Warmoth now formed an alliance and Packard, Warmoth, Wells and cast at the election in Louisiana, as with a portion of the Democratic par- Pinehback are as hard a crew of pi- by its fairness and impartiality shall ticket. The election was declared eye is sometimes too much for the the co-operation of the citizens from valid by the new returning board, but | courage of the most ferocious of the other States in furtherance of the purbrother-in-law Casey was against it; brute creation, and the light of public brought them hither at this juncture. troops came in from Florida; the old attention converging from millions of We regret it all the more because your and without any pretence of election Board at New Orleans, and sternly us appears to be based upon a serious returns before it, set aside the elec- demanding strict justice, is a force less than the spirit of our communications which were certainly made ac- which the most hardened cannot en- tion. It can hardly have escaped your cording to law if the law was bad, and | tirely resist; and symptoms of hesita- notice that our statement of the result declared certain carpet baggers the tion are visible very different from the to be attained by the co-operative aclegislature though they had never even | dogged audacity with which in former | tion, which we sought to bring about, been before the people for election; a times the same board set aside popular member of the board said with a sneer votes rather enjoying than intimidated that, if they were not elected, they by the storm of public indignation they were men who ought to have been had provoked, when it was only the elected, and finally Grant at the in- down-trodden white people of the stigation of the brother-in-law, in- State whom they were trampling on. It is now the people of the United States who are looking on, and already The same board, is now engaged in the conspirators have been made to

FRIDAY, NOV. 24. All the favorable symptoms of yesterday have vanished. Gov. Wickliffe, admitted by an act of the Louisiana board to be present yesterday is direct contravention of the injunction except those from Laurens and Edgefield counties, thus securing a Republican majority in a Legislature which same corrupt Board.

Stitutions and judicial authorities, and every other lawful obstacle to their defeating the will of the people. There defeating the will of the people. There trude our interpretation of these laws military preparations, we again call at-

SHALL WE HAVE WART

We are constantly asked this quesing Board) commenced its sittings in tion on the streets, by some with care arbitrament of one of the parties there-New Orleans on Monday the 20th. and anxiety on their countenances, by We trust that our account of the elecothers with eager anticipation. To heard; that all questions of law ought tion laws of Louisiana will make the both we answer without hesitation and to be decided in conformity with its emphatically no; we shall not have established general principles, and all It appears that the Board has con- war. The South cannot make war, sented to count undisputed parishes the North will not. The impulsive rules which are of universal recogni-in the presence of the Republican and on both sides will be overruled by the sented to count undisputed parishes the North will not. The impulsive disputed questions shall be settled can only benefit those who are now with closed doors. In other words, marching and countermarching troops Of Mr. Wells, the chairman, Gen. the witnessing committees are only to as an armed bully parades his knives mining the issues in the present electronic present when there is nothing to and pistols in a whiskey shop. Ulysses Grant and his associate braves are A circular has been sent to supervi- awhile. At the worst, if the will of portant that a refusal to yield such sors of registration (see our leader) to the people should be set aside by the following effect, the names and fraud and force, there are constitu- the very ends for which they were de which the stupid bully now occupying tion the sincerity of the belief, which the White House will find stronger than his artillery and bayonets. We Louisiana Returning Board will make have a working majority in the repre- a perfectly honest and just declaration It is well known to this Committee, from an examination, that the vote in ate, with probably a majority on joint Louisiana, we deem it not improper to remind you that the presence in this can majority is 900. You are expected to register and state the full strength still, the illegal, arbitrary and antiof the Republican party in your par- Ropublican proceedings of the admin- be an evidence of a widely prevalent manence and stability—it will be a committee of Congress which was sent done your full duty unless the Re- enemies, such as will paralyze the since its returns were set aside by a publican registration in your parish reaches 2,200 and the Republican vote is at least 2,100. All the local candicounsel is that of the Israelitish leader, Presidency was a member; and this

H. V. REDFIELD is the Republican correspondent in New Orleans of the Republican Cincinnati Commercial. His speciality among Radical correspondents is a sotable one-he doesn't lie. This is what he says about the but one of the parties to the present parishes in Louisiana, which it is pro- political contest. In view of all this, posed to count out:

Investigation convinces me that the shows plainly what supervisors are for; to secure not only a Republican majority in the parishes in which they act, but to see to it that that majority army, stationed all the year in West ter of these functions, they are openly. Feliciana, and in command there. He fairly, and honestly discharged; and says the election in that parish was as while we thus refrained from any atfree and fair as any ever witnessed. the Republican party evidently con- He says if that parish can be thrown templates the transfer of the dispute out, any county in the United States can. The Democrats carried it by 800 majority. By joining black clubs, by persuasion, and not by force. Captain Bascom is an Ohio man.

emarks editorially as follows:

from Louisiana has not diminished, the pressure brought to bear upon it but we do not want the State if there the control of Congress, or, as has been report made to him by an army officer, Captain Bascom, of Ohio, has a tendency to shake confidence in the estabthe disputed parishes. The Repub- the discussion of which we deem it no lican party can far better afford to lose part of our duty to enter. In concluthe election than to carry it in that sion, permit us to say that notwithprecipitate violence, receive a quit claim | ing Board, warned by the history of deed for the country, the property de- the past and conscious that its actions

Oh, brother of the Commercial this | tion, will discharge its delicate duty will never do. You will soon be turned out of the Radical church if you take to telling the truth in this ungodly way. You had better recall Redfield Read was shall have the satisfaction to the American people. To this end we will continue to labor. Should a different result follow the action of the Radical Read was shall have the satisfaction. and send your most accomplished liar

FROM NEW ORLEANS.

The following is the reply of the Democrats to the last communication

ley, John A. Kasson, E. W. Stoughton, C. Irwin Ditty, Eugene Hale, M. Will. S. Cumback, E. F. Noyes, Taylor, S. Haven, J. M. Beardsley, C Farwell, Courtlandt Parker, Sidney determination not to confer with us for the purpose of exerting such influproceedings. It is true that Kellogg such a canvass of the votes actually command the acquiescence and respect was a simple reproduction of the language of President Grant, at whose rejuest, we understand, you are here. In his recent order to Gen. Sherman, that language was deliberately used no as we conceive, there can be no dispute, that the first and most essential prerequisite to an honest and just declaration of the results of the recent election in Louisiana is a fair and impartial canvass of the votes actually It seems to us that you do the President great injustice in supposing that, in speaking of the "votes actually cast," he meant to include votes illegally cast, as you certainly do us injustice by the imputation of a desire to insist upon such a narrow and vi cious interpretation. In our judgment excluded to-day, and the canvassing the expression "votes actually cast board in South Carolina has acted in of necessity designates votes legally votes only did we desire to secure a of the Supreme Court of the State, by fair and impartial canvass. We beg giving certificates of election to all leave to say, therefore, that you are members of the Legislature elected mistaken in the belief that we sought unduly to narrow the basis on which we invited your co-operative action, and you are no less in error in attributing to us a purpose to interfere with the legal authorities of the State in the discharge of their duties, to claim

That no one ought to be judge in his own case; that the decision of any contest ought to depend upon the mere questions of fact upon evidence duly presented and weighed under the

public interests at least ought to be public, and that all the proceedings

resorted to for the purpose of deter-

impartiality to disarm the suspicion

that the forms of law had been per-

verted into instruments for the viola-

bedience be not provoked by using these forms as means for subverting Without undertaking to ques you are at pains to express, that you know of no reason to doubt that the remind you that the presence in this Congressional committee, of which the Republican candidate for the Vice "Stand still and see the salvation of distrust is not unnatural in view of the fact, that, as we understand, one of the members of the Returning Board was a candidate for an office at contested counties. the recent election, and another the holder of an office of profit and trust by appointment of the present Execuof the National Government while all the members of the Board are believed to be in affiliation with it is hardly necessary to add that the able. When the State Board comterms of our letter were not designed to prejudice the question whether the tempt at stating or construing the laws of Louisiana, we deemed it equally irrelevant to the subject of our corres condence with you to allude to the luties devolving upon officers other than those constituting the Louisiana Returning Board, under the laws and onstitution of the United States. Whether, as you observe by way of On this telegram the Commercial illustration, under the Constitution the President of the Senate both counts and declares the votes of the Electors Republican confidence in the return of the several States, his duty being purely ministerial and not subject to

with such circumspection, fairness and

Very respectfully,

[New Orleans Democrat, 19.]

well-known colored senator, Dave

a ticket of their own, and, not knowing

electors, the two electors at large,

Kellogg and Burch, and O. H. Brew-

ster, the elector for that Congressional

This ticket was voted largely by the

being cast in the parish. Fortunately

were not very strong, or the Radicals

ers of the colored sheriff.

district, the Fifth.

Iberia and St. Martin.

discovered their error and corrected

their tickets before twenty of them had

S. B. Randall, Pa., J. E. A. J. Curtin, Pa., Will Wm. Bigler, Pa., J. C. G. G. B. Smith, Wis., J. McDonald, Ind., W. G. W. Julian, Ind., W. M. D. Manson, Ind., P. I. Ino. Love, Ind., F. E. Henry Watterson, Ry.,

fairly conducted and our act will bear examination. We must await the verdict of the country upon our case, confident that truth and right will prenent discussion before the whole people of the United States, their purpose
ple of the United States, their purpose
ple of the United States, their purpose equally efficient when it got into other

The machinery seems to have been has forced a certain amount of publication but we do not want the control of Congress, or, as has been the control of Congress, or, some of whom had been among the selves the blessings of good govern framers of the Constitution-the votes ment, peace and prosperity, reconciliaare to be counted under the direction tion and good will. FIRST DISTRICT—DREW'S MAJORITIES, [Rutland (Vt.) special to the New York World.] Calhoun, 160; Hernando, 449; Jackson, 102; Levy, 285; Manatee, 300; Polk, 462; Sumter, 342; Wakulla, 183; Washngton, 284; Franklin, 89; Hillsboro, 617; Lafayette, 248; Liberty, 64; Monroe, 64; Santa Rosa, 367; Taylor, 171; are being observed by the whole na-STEARNS' MAJORITIES

Escambia, 158; Jefferson, 1,922; mpartiality as will give satisfaction to Gadsden, 457; Leon, 2,019. Drew's jority in First district, 256 Board, we shall have the satisfaction of knowing that, while you have taken with us, we have done all in our power 95; making majority in Holmes 379-

> W. Stevenson, Ky., D. McHenry, Ky., Ottendorfer, N. Y., SECOND DISTRICT -- DREW'S MAJORITIES Bradford, 499; Clay, 166; Columbia, J. B. Stallo, Ohlo,
> Wills V. Bogy, Mo.,
> J. O. Broadhead, Mo.,
> C. Gibson, Mo.,
> Jno. Lee Carroll, Md.,
> W. A. Hamilton, Md.,
> W. Y. Sunner, Conn.,
> P. H. Watson, O.,
> F. R. Condit, N. Y. 184; Dade, 5; Hamilton, 288; Orange, 743; Putnam, 45; St. Johns, 180; Suwanee, 176; Volusia, 316.

STEARNS' MAJORITIES. Alachua, 408; Duval, 796; Madison 425; Marion, 594; Nassau, 109. Total Drew's majority, 2,742; total Stearns' majority, 2,422. County not heard from, Brevard, which gave in 1874, .78 The Radicals appear to have lost a Democratic majority. Add estimated increase, and we have total of 104 for Concordia parish. This arose in the Brevard, which gives Drew in the 2nd same manner as the loss in the 14th | district, 424 majority. Add First dismaterial district-from a split among | trict, 635, and we have Drew's majority the Radicals and a bolter's ticket. The | in the State, 1,059. two factions of Radicals in Concordia

The committee has not been able to are the Young gang, followers of the get separate figures upon the State and electorial tickets from the distant coun-Young, and the Jackson gang, follow- | ties, but will arrange them in a few days. It is only in a few counties that The Young crowd were apparently Mr. Tilden is behind the State ticket, the regular Radicals and the Jackson and after making the most liberal estimen the bolters. These bolters got up | mates for the counties not fully heard from, it is not believed that our majormuch about making up tickets, placed ity upon the electoral vote can fall beon it the names of only three Hayes low 600.

S. Pasco, Chairman. JAMES M. BAKER, W. D. BLOXHAM, GEO. P. RANEY, J. H. PAINE. Attest: ROBERT GAMELE, Sec'y.

Jackson faction-575 of such tickets NEW ORLEANS, November 21 .- This for the Radicals, the Jackson bolters morning at 11:15 the doors were thrown would have suffered severely. Sumopen to the press. About 20 persons ming up the results of these errors, only were in the room, including mem-Radical electoral vote appears to bers of the board, representatives of be as follows: Sheldon, Joseph, Le-visee, in a deficit of over 1.800 votes; the two committees, steaographers, clerks, etc. Wells, Casanave and Kenvisee, in a deficit of over 1.800 votes : Brewster behind about 1,200; Marks ner were already present. Anderson behind about 700; Jeffrion behind arrived a few minutes after, at about 11:35, when the board was called to An attempt was made in Iberia par-

sh, where a number of these "deficit" ckets were voted, to get over the loor and admit the crowd outside. difficulty by counting them as so many This was done, and the Democratic Hayes tickets and so many Tilden mmittee on elections was admitted tickets, without particularizing and behind the bar, followed by lifteen perspecifying the names of the electors. sons who happened to be in attendance, The Radicals boast that in one or two not hoping for such a concession. instances they succeeded in this trick, Mr. Zacharie then filed the protest that he had given notice of on Monday,

but their success, after all, really amounted to very little. There still on behalf of the Democratic candidates remains against them 575 tickets in for Congress. ncordia, 675 in West Baton Rouge, The board conferred some five or 425 in Iberville and many others in ten minutes. President Wells then moved that the board now go into ex-It is said that the Democrats in Concutive session. This was at once done, cordia made a similar mistake, but and the hall was cleared.

The mistake worries the Radicals a neeting, and now consists of Beards- leans, and the liars of the Associate ood deal. After a long study of the law they have been unable to find any escape from the difficulty, and are row New York; and Garfield, of Ohio. compelled to confess that the Return-The result of the labors of the Reing Board, and the Returning Board turning Board thus far has proved two alone, can correct the evil. The mistake, however, will cost the Returning Board thus far has proved two things: First, that in one district five of the Republican Electors were not voted for on one set of Republican

The committee of Northern Repub-

the Returning Board. This shows that their claim that the State has gone Democratic on five

FLORIDA.

THE GOVENOR AND THE ELECTORAL VOTE.

titled to the certificates.

step, they would ask permission to file

a protest. He stated that they should

he should be pleased if they would for-

ward, in writing, whatever they had to

say upon the subject. This is considered an intimation that he intends to

move in the matter without delay.

Elaborate opinions are in course of

preparation on both sides of the ques-

MILITARY MOVEMENT.

military circles to-night. Precisely

FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC STATE

COMMITTEE.

official sources and are entirely reli-

all frauds our majority will be largely

ncreased over the vote as here stated.

In some of the Republican counties

the vote exceeds by hundreds the vot-

ing population according to the actual

ballot-boxes have been stuffed, Demo-

cratic challengers have been excluded

evidence of these crimes and will at

moderation you have displayed in the

trying scenes you have lately passed

through have won the commendation

ensus. Ballots have been miscounted,

see Special to New York Herald.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 19 .- The total vote of the State as made up from duplicate poll-lists received from 47 TALLAHASSEE, Nov. 19 .- There is parishes, and ten parishes estimated reasonable ground for believing that Gov. Stearns will assume that the State Board has no power to canvass the ernor—Nicholls. 84,202; Packard, 76. lectoral vote, but that the power re- 112; total, 160,314; total vote in 1874 sides in the governor. This assump- for treasurer, 147,705; increase this tion will permit the governor to decide all the issues pertaining to the canvass, and issue the certificates to whichever electors he decides are elected. This assumption is based highest vote for the Republicans of 9. upon the fact that the act creating the | 249; the other two Tilden electors Returning Board does not use the have a majority of 7,036. The dis word "electors" in giving the list of erepancy in the majorities was caused officers, whose vote the board shall by the omission of the names of five cauvass. The power to canvass this Haves electors from the Republican vote, not being specifically conferred tickets in several parishes. NEW ORLEANS, November 22 .- The him, as he is required by a United

States law to issue the electors' certificates, and must cauvass the vote in ries but a few votes from the returns as heretofore reported by the Demoorder that he may decide who is encratic committee. To-day the returns from the parish of Lafourch showed DEMOCRATIC PROTEST TO BE FILED. that the Republican electors were The Democrats are astonished that dropped, except in one precinct, makthis claim is set up, and contend that ing a difference of 400 votes against the word "electors" is not used in the act referred to simply because electors Tilden elector, was behind the rest of are included under the head of State the Tilden electors 25 votes. fficers, which expression is used in the act. A Democratic committee

There are still fifteen parishes from waited on the governor and notified which the official returns have not been him that, if he contemplated such a received, and what is worst is that fully half of these have been in this city for a week or more, in the possession have opportunity to do so, and this of the Radical supervisor appointed morning informed them by letter that by Kellogg. The Northern Democratic Committee regard this as the worst indication yet developed. When these returns will come in, or how they will come in, no one can tell. Fortunately the Democrats have tripicates from all but two, issued the day after the election. Gov. Bigler is still of opinion that it is not practica-ble for the Returning Board to give a majority for Hayes.

REPUBLICAN TREACHERY. Tampering with Democratic Witnesse in Louisiana. EXTRACT FROM THE ADDRESS OF THE

[New Orleans Picayune.] Since the election the Democratic committee has been zealous in its efforts to collate testimony regarding the character of all elections in the parishes, apprehending that the timeworn and serviceable cry of intimida-The figures given below in proof of our victory are based entirely from pletes its duties and purges the vote of ion and violence would be used by the

candidates against them. The results justified the anticipations. Even many of the officers of the Administration have been honest enough to come forward and testify to the peaceable elections which they witnessed, and colored men by the hundreds bear testimony to the intimida-tion practiced by their fellows toward from the polls, and other outrages have been committed for the purpose of stifling the voice of the people; but the committee has collected abundant the Democratic ticket. Evidences are now cropping forth, showing that imthe proper time lay it before the coun-Fellow-citizens, the patience and willing and conscientious witnesses, making affidavits or undoing those al-ready made. This should be a suffiof the world. Our canvass has been cient admonition to the Democratic ommittee not to reveal the names of witnesses, that the Republicans may with and suborning them.

> INTIMIDATION IN VERMONT. "Discharge Any of Your Subordinates Who Vote the Democratic Ticket."

The following letter was sent by the superintendent of the "Howe Sewingrounding counties, we promise to give satisfaction to all. Machine Company" from Rochester N. Y., to their agent at Rutland, Vt. just before the late election. In its bias and intent it is a disgrace to any civilization, and deserves the right ous indignation of all lovers of fair play and justice :

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 3, 1876 .majority in First district, 4,812. Stearns | To the Rutland Office: We wish you total majority, 4,556. Drew's net ma- to discharge any of your subordinates who vote the Democratic ticket. We believe that the success of the Demo-(Holmes), which gave in 1874, 284; cratic party will be the ruin of our the responsibility of declining to act add estimated increase over this vote, country and business, and will not support any one who will not stand by to avert the consequences which may which add to majority in the district, us in this. This is a struggle between and we have 635 as Drew's majority in the intelligent portion of the community and the ignorant and roughs and rowdies of the cities.

Mr. Stockwell fully concurs with me in the above. GEO. B. PETTIBONE. (Signed) Write to all your agents to the above effect and what we wish.

(Signed) GEO. B. PETTIBONE. GOVERNOR TILDEN.

The Democratic Leader-The Man of Destiny. Governor Tilden is the man of destiny. When he was announced as a candidate for the nomination for Gov-

ernor every politician predicted that he would never receive it. He got it by a two-thirds vote. Then they pre-dicted his defeat. He was elected by over 50,000 majority. Then they prelicted that the delegation from his own State would not support him for the Presidency. That delegation was unanimously instructed for him and unanimously voted for him. A disastrous failure to receive the nomination was the next prediction. He was nominated on the second ballot by a two-thirds vote Then his overwhelm ing defeat was the next prophecy. received a popular majority of 400, 000, and 203 electoral votes, and it was not until twenty-four hours after that the Republicans recovered their balance sufficiently to conceive the scheme of fraud they are now maturing. But not even fraud, backed by the whole orce of the Administration, can keep him out of the Presidency. His apponents have invariably been brought to naught, and they will be overthrown

VERMONT.

Postmaster-Elector Sollace will Get Gov. Wells was anxious to open the his Certificate, but will be Enjoined

> MONTPELIER, November 21 .- The ounty clerks met to-day to canvass he votes cast in the late election for Presidential electors, and their powers are simply ministerial, and, therefore, declined to hear or receive evidence outside of the certificate of votes by the proper authorities. Under this ecision Mr. Sollace, postmaster at Bridgeport at the time of his election, will receive a certificate of his election. An injunction will be applied

Howard Carroll, who has been do licans to attend the session of the board | ing South Carolina and Florida for the has been changed since Monday's New York Times, is now in New Or ley, of Illinois; Eugene Hale, of Maine; Press had as well hang their heads and anallen, of New York; Stoughton, of go in their holes. Shades of Ananias

Russia is preparing war: the Turmade, and if the alleged irregularity
was established to their statisfaction,
that vote was thrown out.

It will be easily seen that these laws
placed it in the power of the Governor.
Through his appointees, (all removable
at pleasure) to declare any body of
men he might please elected to the
legislature.

How thoroughly this powerwas exrefer by governors of Louisians will
presently be seen.

With one exception these laws are
in force now. The exception is that
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GOODS!

On or about DECEMBER FIRST, I will open in the store-room recently occupied by Messrs. Harrison & Son, a large and well selected stock of

DRY GOODS! CLOTHING,

BOOTS AND SHOES! HATS and CAPS!

TRUNKS, VALISES, AND

Gents' Furnishing Goods.

You will find every one of the above named departments complete. Residing in the market, I am enabled to furnish my store with the Latest Styles and at Bottom Prices, I have been engaged in the Dry Goods and Clothing business for the past twenty years, and flatter myself that I am able to buy goods as cheap as they can be sold. Call at my new place of business and them for voting or threatening to vote satisfy yourselves. I have been selling Dry Goods and Clothing at Hooper's corner, Hopkinsville, Ky., for seven proper influences are being used by years, and by fair and honest dealing have established the leading Republicans in this city with REST and LARGEST Clothing trade in that city as BEST and LARGEST Clothing trade in that city, as with a view of restraining them from many of the people of Christian, Todd and Trigg counties will testify. Don't forget the place, Harrison & Son's corner, December 1st, 1876.

Mr. Alex. Weill, brother of Mr. Joe Weill, who has not have an opportunity of tampering charge of my Hopkinsville house, will be the manager of the

> CLARKSVILLE TRADE PALACE. A polite and accommodating corps of clerks will be on

hand ready and willing to attend to the wants of all. NEW GOODS RECEIVED DAILY! And with a fair trial of the people of Clarksville and sur-

> Very Respectfully, PHILIP LIEBER

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They have had to order and

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Suits of New Style Ready-

The man who wants a suit

The lady who wants a Seaf

and does not call on COULTER.

Brown or Navy Blue Water-

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also makes a mistake, if she

It is currently reported and

Messrs, James Lockert,

Maurice Stratton, Z. Smith,

Genie Durrett, Percy Wis-

dom and Frank Coulter are

kept busy selling bargains in

Jeans, Flannels, Blankets,

Cloths, Cassimeres, Shawls,

Men's Furnishing Goods,

Hats, Fine Shoes, Trunks,

Travelling Bags, and many

other things not to be men-

'KING OF SHIRTS'

Kept only by COULTER, is

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at low prices.

Mrs. Hodgson & Miss Maguire URGA I Have now in store and will receive

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MILLINERY FANCY GOODS,

DRESS TRIMMINGS, GLOVES, HAIR GOODS, URS And FUR TRIMMINGS. Worley's and Silks, Beautiful Black Cash-

CORSETS! CLOAKS as of clothes, or an over-coat,

DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINE,

DOMESTIC PAPER PATTERNS. proof or Cashmere Dress, and An inspection of our goods is solicited. Respectfully, Oct 14, 1876-6m.

wishes to get a choice article Commissioner's Sale of Valuable Farm. W. H. Winn et als vs James Brawner et als.
In pursuance of a decree of the County TE's stock of Men's and Boys

Boots, and Women's Shoes, is the best and cheapest ever Saturday, Dec. 9, 1876. brought to this section of the All the land of the late Richard Winn, dee'd, situated in District No. 11, of Montgomery county, near Rudelph's Mills, containing by estimation 156 acres more or less. Sold for division among the heirs.

TERMS—One-fourth cash, balance in one and two years. Notes with good security required bearing interest from date, and a

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The Charley Bryan farm on Southside of Camberland River, containing 450 acres 200 of it fine river bettom, two large frame barns, one frame grainary, good dwelling house, several tenement houses, ice house and orchard. If not sold by 10th of December, will rent it out for year 1877. Apply to SAM JOHNSON, Agent, Novis 2t.

at Franklin Bank.

Administrators Notice.

Having duly qualified as Administrated the estate of Christian Kropiec'd, all persons having claims again said estate are hereby notified to present the time to the control of the contro , properly proven, within the time and cheapest Shirt intrinsic-All those indebted to said estate will ally, ever offered by that some forward and settie immediately.

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> Notice of their splendid stock of Carpetings and Oil Cloths next week.

Clarksville, Oct. 28, '76-tf.

TER'S in mind.